

Claim 4; line 1; change "Claim 1" to ---Claim 7---.
line 2; change ", and wherein" to
---on which---.
line 3; change "is supported on the support"
to ---derivative is supported---.

Please add new Claims 7-11 as follows:

an optically active
7. A separating agent comprising a polysaccharide derivative having a molecular weight distribution Mw/Mn of from ~~1 to 3~~ ^{1.70 to 2.21}, wherein Mw represents the weight-average molecular weight based on polystyrene and Mn represents the number-average molecular weight based on polystyrene.

8. A column packing for liquid chromatography comprising the separating agent according to Claim 4.

9. The separating agent according to Claim 7, wherein the polysaccharide derivative is amylose tris (3,5-dimethylphenyl carbamate).

10. The separating agent according to Claim 7, wherein the polysaccharide derivative has a Mw/Mn of from 1.22 to 2.21.

11. The separating agent according to Claim 7, wherein the polysaccharide derivative is supported on a silica gel having a particle diameter of from 1 mm to 10 mm and a pore diameter of 10Å to 100 μm.

REMARKS

The abstract and specification have been amended in order to correct grammatical and idiomatic errors contained therein. No new matter has been added. In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, Claim 1 has been canceled and replaced by newly presented Claim 7 which more particularly